

Reading Ignited



Technology as Motivation for Reluctant Readers



**An Odyssey of Research:
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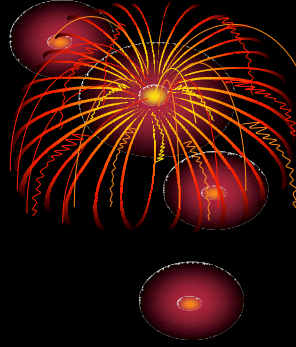
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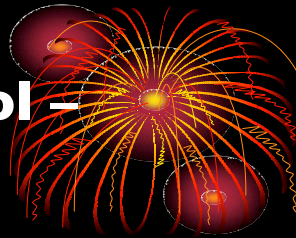


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The Knights

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Road Map of Research

A graphic of red and orange fireworks exploding in the top right corner of the slide.

📁 **Surveys**

📁 **Interviews**


📁 **Observations**

📁 **Variety of Technology**

Road Map of Research

A graphic of red and orange fireworks exploding in the top right corner of the slide.

📁 **Findings:**

- 📁 **Students love using technology**
 - 📁 **Students respond favorably to using technology to read**
 - 📁 **Students want more technology in school**
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- A small graphic of red and orange fireworks exploding in the top right corner of the findings list.

Kindergarten – 3rd Grade

 starfall.com

 [internet4classrooms](http://internet4classrooms.com)

 gamequarium.com

<http://www.starfall.com>

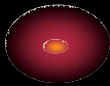
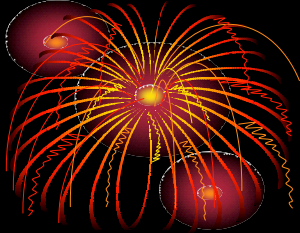


The image shows a screenshot of the Starfall.com website's reading level menu. It features four main categories, each with a large arrow pointing right:

- 1. ABC's**
Let's get ready to read
Introduction to Letter Sounds
- 2. Learn to Read**
Zac the Rat and other tales
Early Beginning Reader
- 3. It's Fun to Read**
About Me, Art Gallery, Magic + more!
Intermediate Beginning Reader
- 4. I'm Reading**
Plays, Nonfiction, Comics + more!
Early Beginning Reader to Advanced

To the right of these categories is a grid of smaller icons representing various themes and activities:

- Calendar
- Calendar
- Grandparent
- Pumpkin
- Turkey
- Snowman
- Valentine
- Groundhog
- 100th DAY
- 100th Day!
- Clover
- Earth Day
- Word Hunt
- Flower

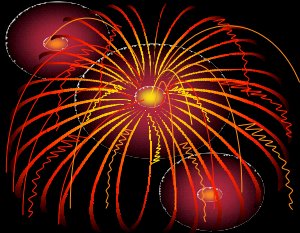





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Dog And Cat



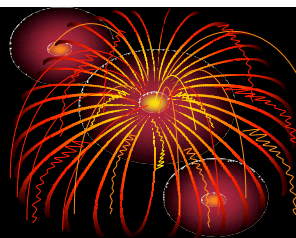


 **DOG:** Go away, Cat.
Go away.
I do not want you here.

 **CAT:** Why not?

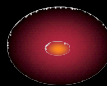


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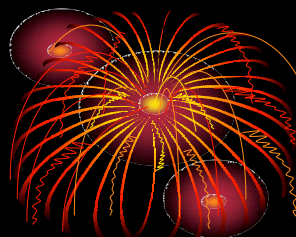
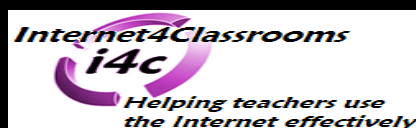
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- [Level-I Reading & Writing Journal](#)
- [Level-I Cut-Up/Take-Home Books](#)
- [Level-I Reading Awards](#)
- [Level-II Reading & Writing Journal](#)



Online Printouts

- [Level-K ABC Printouts](#)
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1
Compare and Contrast
Predictions

2
Main Idea/Theme

3
Story Elements

4
Comprehension

5
Word Analysis

6
Sentence Structure

7
Suffix/Prefix

1. [A Fishy Story](#) - read story online, then answer questions in Word or Works, or on paper
2. [Compare and Contrast](#) - see two examples, find out about "flavors" of compare and contrast, then see strategies
3. [Compare and Contrast](#) - practice quizzes
4. [Dig It!](#) - interactive story predicting the outcome
5. [Compare and Contrast WebQuest](#) - Mother Goose has been told that all of her fairytales and rhymes are too old. She is looking for boys and girls to help her rewrite a few of her old stories into newer or modern ones.

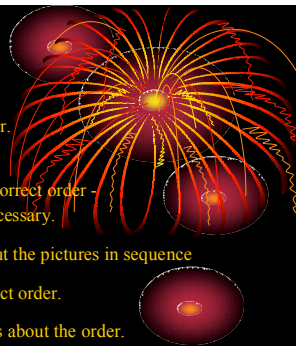
1. [Main Idea Mini Lesson](#) followed by interactive quizzes.
2. [Main Idea practice](#) - eight online interactive quizzes on Main Idea from the Manatee School District

1. [Short Story Elements](#) - Online quiz

1. [Reading Comprehension stories](#) - interactive quizzes online for 2 stories
2. [Literal Understanding](#) - interactive quizzes with factual information on planets
3. [Reading Exercises](#) - comprehension, fill in and sequencing
1. [Vowel Phonemes](#) - What's the Pattern? - Click on the game What's the pattern. Select the correct vowel phoneme to complete the word.
1. [Parts of a Sentence](#) - select naming part or telling part (subject/predicate)
2. [English Eggs](#) - put the words in order to create a sentence
3. [Penguins on Ice](#) - Make a Sentence - Choose Make a Sentence and put the penguins in correct order to create a sentence.
4. [Simple and Compound Sentences](#) - Choose the correct answer by clicking in the bubble.
1. [Suffix practice](#) - more practice on s/es and ed/ing
2. [Prefixes Say Plenty](#) - a short slide show followed by an interactive quiz
3. [Suffixes say Plenty](#) - a short slide show followed by an interactive quiz
4. [Create a new word](#) - add prefix and suffix to words.

8 Sequencing

1. [Monkey Business: Rain Forest Run Around](#) – Click on the words to put them in correct order. (from Game Goo - Learning That Sticks!)
2. [Sequence the Story](#) - drag the pictures in the correct order - Students can have the story read to them if necessary.
3. [Sequencing Lesson and Exercise](#) - read and put the pictures in sequence
4. [Sequencing](#) - Number the pictures in the correct order.
5. [Sequencing](#) - Read story and answer questions about the order.



9 Contractions

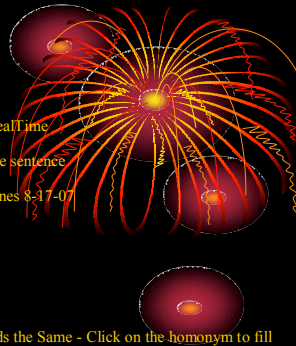
1. [Contraction Practice](#) - interactive contraction practice
2. [Contractions](#) - type the contraction beside the two words
3. [Fly By Contraction Practice](#) - find the correct airplane to match with the contraction
4. [Type the contraction](#) - type the contraction form of words
5. [Contractions](#) - Match game
6. [Contractions](#) - Match game

10 Irregular Plurals

1. [Irregular Plurals](#) - match the related words, singular to plural
2. [Irregular Plurals](#) - match related words, oes, os
3. [Plural Nouns](#) - add s or es
4. [Irregular Noun Plurals](#) - interactive quizzes

11 Synonyms/Homonyms

1. [Homonyms](#) - from Fun Brain
2. [Homophone Song](#) - video song; need Quicktime or RealTime
3. [Homophone Challenge](#) - find correct word to complete sentence
4. [Homophone Match Game](#) - find matches of homophones 8-17-07
5. [Homonym worksheet](#) - from RHL School
6. [A Feast of Homonyms](#) - Match game
7. [Homophone Quiz](#) - Online self checking quiz
8. [Homonym - Word Jumbler](#) - Click on the game Sounds the Same - Click on the homonym to fill the gap in the sentence.
9. [Tooth Tally with Squanky the Tooth Taker](#) - From Game Goo (learning that sticks)
10. [Synonym Study](#) - graded practice on synonyms
11. [Synonyms and Antonyms](#) - concentration style game
12. [Word Balloons](#) - Find the synonyms in the balloons and reach the unicorn.



12 Grammar

1. [Parts of Speech](#) - noun, verb, preposition, etc. (interactive quizzes)
2. [Parts of Speech Quiz](#) - select correct part of speech
3. [Punctuation Paintball](#) - Pick a level. Click on the correct punctuation then click on the part of the sentence that needs changing and fire!
4. [Whaddaya know?](#) - quiz game with many topics to choose.
5. [Choosing Good or Well](#) - Print off worksheet or let them work in groups orally writing down their answers. Circle the correct word to complete each sentence

13 Compound Words

14 Spelling

15 Online Stories

1. Printable worksheet exercises on compound words - [worksheet 1](#) - [worksheet 2](#)
2. [Compound word matching exercise](#) - drag the words to the other side to create compound words
3. [Compound word game](#) - Drag words to other side to create compound words. 8-17-07
4. [Compound word game](#) - Drag words to other side to create compound words
1. [Alien Scavenger Hunt: Letter Bugs](#) - Use the mouse to click on letters that make up the word you hear. From Game Goo (learning that sticks)
2. [Alien Scavenger Hunt: Space Trash](#) - Use the mouse to click on letters that make up the word you hear. From Game Goo (learning that sticks)
3. [Fearless Frieda](#) - Use the keyboard to spell the words Frieda says. Three letter words on level one, four letter words on level 2. - From Game Goo (learning that sticks)
4. [Fearless Frieda the Big Kahuna](#) - Use the keyboard to spell the words Frieda says. Frieda starts with four letter words in this game. - From Game Goo (learning that sticks)
5. [Spell Check](#) - TCAP format - select word that is spelled incorrectly
6. [Spell words](#) - drag letters to create word
7. [Spelling](#) - put the letters in order to create the word that is said aloud
8. [Spelling](#) - Click on the misspelled word and then correct it. (for different words and spelling activities, [check here](#))
9. [Spin and Spell](#) - click on the word you wish to spell then click on the letters on the spinning wheel. Click submit to check spellings.
1. [Merpy.com Stories](#) - animated stories to be read online

For Teachers

🔗 **Children's Literature and Language Arts Resources** - This page focuses on children's literature in education. Teachers, library media professionals, parents and students will find information on children's literature and associated language arts here

🔗 Calculating Reading Levels

🔗 **Tameri Guide - Calculating Reading Levels** - Tools for calculating reading levels - a series of methods whose functions are used to determine the reading levels for different student age groups.

🔗 **Free Online Reading Assessment** - Mindplay

🔗 **Fry's Readability Graph and Directions** - posted by Kathy Schrock with permission of the author

🔗 **Fry's Readability Test** - Educational Psychologist

🔗 **Readability Tests Interpretation** - Learn to interpret the tests.

🔗 **Reading Ability Screening Test** - Child Development Institute

🔗 **Reading Competency Test** - National Right to Read Foundation

🔗 **Reading Level Calculator** - Linda Wasmer Andrews

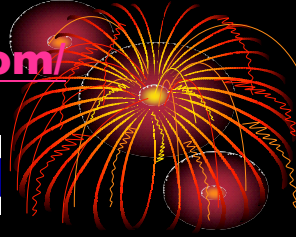
🔗 **Schonell Reading Test** - (This Tripod site may be blocked by some school filters)



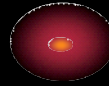
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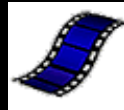
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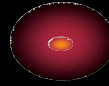
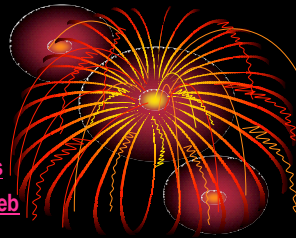
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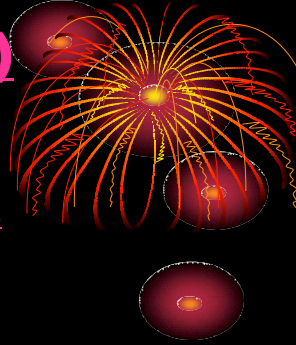


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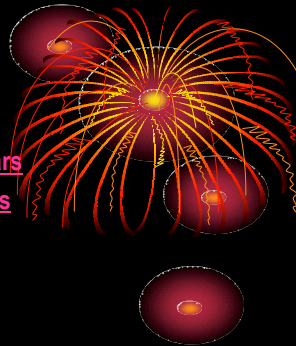


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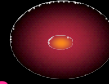
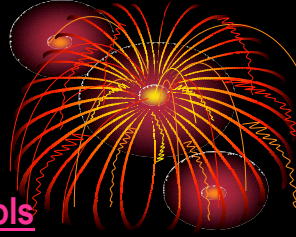
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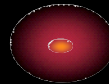
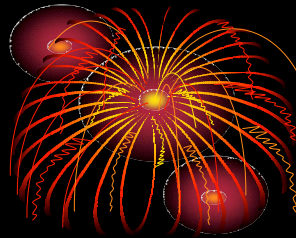
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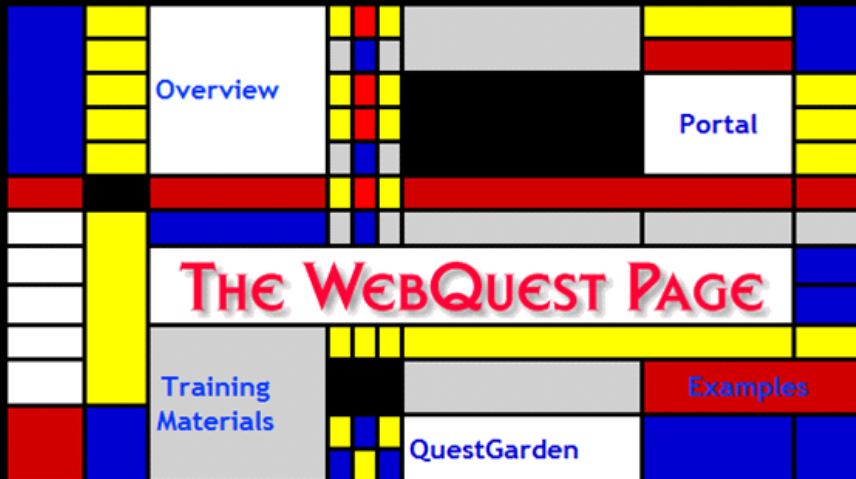
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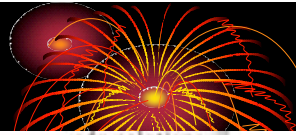
👤 **"I liked doing the web-quests and power point project. We got to type stuff in about the colonies and we got to work with other people. We learned a lot about it because we were looking stuff up on the computer and computers tell you more about it than a book could – unless you read like 1,000 books."**

👤 **Washington Student**

United Streaming

The screenshot shows the Discovery Education Streaming website. At the top, there's a navigation bar with "My DE", "DE streaming", "My Account", "Help", and "Logout". Below this is a search bar with a "GO" button and a "LiveText edu solutions" logo. A welcome message "Welcome, D" and navigation links "My Content", "Teacher Center", and "Professional Development" are visible. The main content area features a "Subject/Grade Search" sidebar on the left with categories like "BY SUBJECT" (Careers, Health, Language Arts, Mathematics, Research, Science, Social Studies, Teaching Practices, Visual and Performing Arts, World Languages) and "BY GRADE" (K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12). The central area has tabs for "Thematic Focus", "What's New", and "Week in History". A featured video titled "Chinese New Year" is displayed, with a description: "Celebrate the Lunar New Year with a look at Chinese history and cultural symbols. [Learn more](#)". To the right, there's a "Teacher Center" section with tools like "Assignment Builder", "Calendar", "Discovery Atlas Interactive Map", "Discovery Educator Network", "Lesson Plan Library", "Quiz Builder", and "Writing Prompt Builder". At the bottom right, a "Professional Development" section mentions "Discovery Education Webinar Series".

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American Heroes and Heroines: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (14:42)

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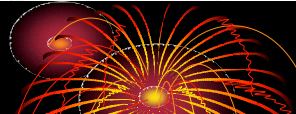
Description:
A combination of costumed re-enactments and archival footage of the civil rights movement shows how our country's foremost civil rights leader transformed race relations in America. The program first shows young Martin as a child in Atlanta, where he experiences racial discrimination. When the mother of two of his friends says he can no longer play with her children, Martin's mother explains why. Martin also is seen being denied access to swimming pools, restaurants and other public places. But he is an excellent student, sharpens his speaking skills, and graduates from high school two years early. He is then seen at Morehouse College, where he studies philosophy and comes to believe that love is the best way to fight discrimination. The next part of the program shows Dr. King as a minister in Montgomery, Alabama. There, Dr. King becomes a major force in the Montgomery bus strike, which thrusts him into the national spotlight. Dr. King is then seen planning and leading demonstrations against school segregation and promoting the opening of restaurants to people of all races. He is also seen working to convince congress to pass fair housing laws. The program ends as Dr. King gives his "I Have a Dream" speech and as he receives the 1964 Nobel Peace Prize. © 2004 United Learning

Grades: 3-5

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Discovering Maths: Probability (Grades 3-5) (35:00)

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This video contains 25 segments.

Description:
From the concept of chance to statistical predictions to basic sample spaces, introduce elementary students to more-advanced concepts of probability. All content is tied to national standards and benchmarks. © 2005 Discovery Channel School

Grades: 3-5

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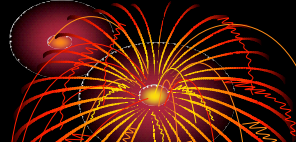
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Ralph S. Mouse (4:00)

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This video contains **3 segments**

Description:
There are too many mice at the Mountain View Inn, so Ralph must leave. He persuades his friend Ryan to take him to school, where the fun - and the danger - begins. © 1991 Weston Woods

Grades: 3-5

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Home > Search Results: erosion > Asset Details



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Weathering and Erosion (20:00)

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This video contains **2 segments**


Description:
The surface of the land has undergone many changes over its history. Water, rain, snow, and wind—they all continually shape and form the Earth. Take your students on a journey to discover how physical weathering, chemical weathering, and erosion occur. Learn that the destructive forces of erosion and weathering are slow processes that change the surface of the earth. © 2002 100% Educational Videos

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 **"The movies are better than reading the book. I can hear what they're saying and if I'm reading I don't know all the words. The movie helps."**

 **Washington Student**

Photo Story 3



Windows Movie Maker



Photo Story 3 and Windows Movie Maker

“I liked seeing the pictures and words that we put into the story. I liked seeing it on the screen and showing it to Mr. K (our principal). It was cool.”

Washington Student

6th – 8th Grades

Ancient Greek Tutorials:

<http://socrates.berkeley.edu/~ancgreek/>

 www.quia.com

 [**dictionary.com**](http://dictionary.com)

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Ancient Greek Tutorials

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Accentuation
Tutorial

Ancient Greek Tutorials, by Donald J. Mastronarde with the assistance of the Berkeley Language Center of the University of California, Berkeley.

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Accentuation
Practice

This site is made available to all users by the courtesy of the [University of California Press](#). Although much of it is based on a specific textbook for ancient Greek (see under [Credits](#)), the tutorials should be helpful to anyone learning ancient Greek from any textbook.

Principal
Parts

The July 2005 revision has extended the use of Unicode Greek fonts into text-based versions of Pronunciation Guide, Pronunciation Practice, and Accentuation Tutorial, which were previously based on images rather than text. The Pronunciation modules have also been revised to use embedded sounds (all are loaded when the page first loads, removing delay when a sound is played). A few misprints in the data have been corrected. The July 2004 revision made the Unicode version the default form of the site and incorporated several minor corrections and amendments.

Vocabulary

Verb Drill

A CD-ROM version of this site is also available, for use with Windows or Macintosh computers with standard browsers. (Version 1.4 incorporating changes up to July 2004 is available.) For ordering information, go to http://blc.berkeley.edu/Media_Duplication.html, or contact The Berkeley Language Center, University of California, B-40 Dwinelle Hall #2640, Berkeley CA 94720-2640, tel. (510) 642-0767 ext. 29, fax (510) 642-9138. Please note that at this time BLC is not able to accept payment by credit card; payment has to be made by check or money order in US dollars.

Noun Drill

English-Greek

Paradigms

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF MODULES

Unit 3	Unit 3 Nouns			Click on a word to hear it pronounced.	female voice
Unit 4	ἄγγελος	θάνατος	πόλεμος	βιβλίον	
Unit 5	messenger	death	war	book	
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Unit 7	wind	god	sickness	gift	
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	Α ᾑ	Short alpha	Like the first <i>a</i> in <i>aha</i>	ἀγαθός	
	ᾗ	Long alpha	Like the second <i>a</i> in <i>aha</i>	χώρᾗ	
	αι	Diphthong	Like the vowel in English <i>high</i>	παιδεία	
	αι	'Long diphthong'	Same as long alpha	χώραι	
	αυ	Diphthong	Like the vowel in English <i>how</i>	ἐλαύνω	

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🎧 **“It is different to listen
to the sounds of the
words. I liked using
headphones.”**

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Roman Gods

Match the Roman gods with what they ruled over.

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Vulcan		God of the Sea
Jupiter		God of Fire
Ceres		King of the Gods
Bacchus		God of Sun & Lyre
Mars		God of War
Apollo		God of Wine
		Best Score

Latin I

Verbs present and future


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Hangman



--- G ---

Guess the answer

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z



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📖 **“I liked doing the the
crosswords, matching,
and concentration
game, I think I learned
the words better.”**


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Word of the Day

Today's word:
factitious
Get the Word of the Day e-mail
Word of the Day Archive
Add the RSS Feed

Get the Facebook Word of the Day application

Spanish Word of the Day

Today's word:
amarillo
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factitious \fak-TISH-uhs\, *adjective*:

1. Produced artificially, in distinction from what is produced by nature.
2. Artificial; not authentic or genuine; sham.

The extreme arbitrariness of this color in relation to the "real" colors of the human figure indicates that Picasso's initial analysis turned on a redesignation of the idea of local color, displacing it from the surfaces of the natural world to the wholly **factitious** veneers in the world of cultural artifacts.

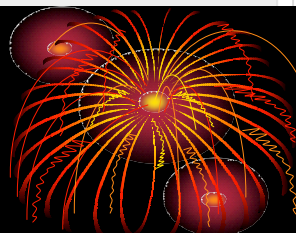
-- David Carrier, "Modernist art and its market", *Art Journal*, Winter 1998

When a significant level of distrust evolves among segments of the public, for genuine or **factitious** reasons, police may be seen as "them" as opposed to the "us" of the general populace.

-- Woody West, "Cops Get Caught in a Catch-22", *Insight on the News*, July 17, 2000

I sensed that it was time to step back, take stock, and try to untangle and think through a series of events, a great many of which I had either undergone with impassioned abandon or been asked to write about with **factitious** enthusiasm (a constant temptation for cultural critics who are expected to celebrate the new).

Spanish Word of the Day



amarillo, *adjective*:

yellow

Amarillo is very different from English **yellow** because it comes from Latin. It's the basic colour word, as in:

hojas amarillas

yellow leaves

It's also used to create some compound nouns.

🗨️ **"I like using this website to look up the definitions of my vocabulary words.**

🗨️ **It's easy to cut and paste, then I can just email the definitions home to study."**

🗨️ **Epiphany Student**

9th – 12th Grades

🗨️ **Handheld Gaming:**

🗨️ **Gadgetry - NintendoDS Lite**

🗨️ **Online Delivery:**

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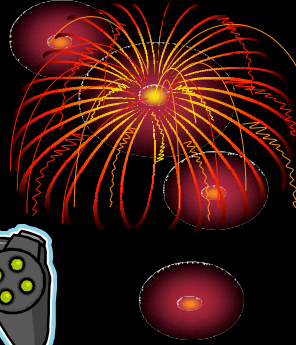
🗨️ **A+dvanced Learning Program**

🗨️ **"I don't mind reading now because the computer doesn't embarrass me!"**

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Handheld Gaming

🎮 **Gadgets are where students live: use whatever is available to ignite reading**

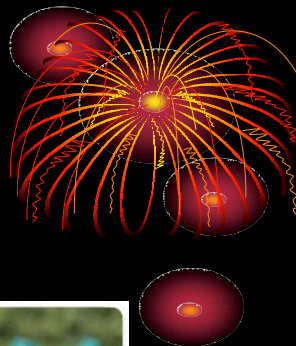


🎮 **National School Boards Association reports nearly 85% of 9 – 12 year olds use some sort of handheld gaming in off school hours (August 2007)**

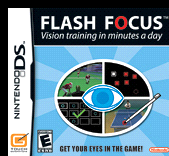
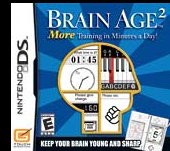
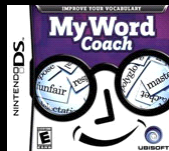
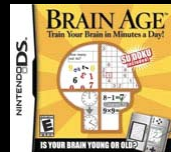


Handheld Gaming

🎮 **Handheld Vocabulary**
🎮 **Nintendo DS Lite**



The Games...



👉 These are but a few of the many games and handhelds available...

👉 "They're a lot of fun... 'cause you can learn and it's fun and it's totally awesome."
SHS Student

Online Delivery

👉 FREE Web 2.0 tools -see your library media specialist for assistance:

👉 Blogging:

👉 Wordpress

👉 Bloglines

👉 Blogger

👉 Wikis

👉 Wikispaces

👉 Moodle

👉 Develop your own interactive programs with capabilities already available in

👉 MS Word

👉 MS Excel



👉 "...it's awesome because it really helps me focus on what I need to be reading."
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- Students matched to the curriculum according to their assessment results
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 - Study Skills and
 - Mathematics

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- **Stories timed by words per minute**
- **Word-by-word**
- **Left to right**
- **Human voice in context**

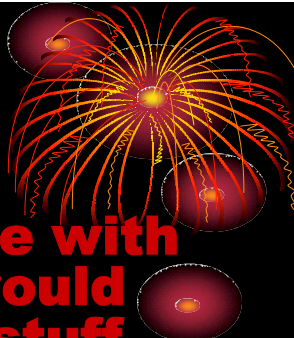
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Features of A+ Learning:


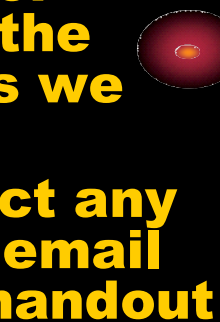
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- **internet-based technology**
- **3,400 lessons and 78,000 exercises in technology-based instruction**
- **core curriculum system for grades 1-12 gives**
- **create individual lesson plans**
- **assess student skill deficiencies**
- **edit curriculum content**

Technology in the Classroom

“If it could help me with all my classes, I would want to use more stuff like we use in reading classes. You know, the Nintendos and the online stuff .”

-SHS Student

Questions!

-  **See our handout for information about the programs and sites we have discussed.**
-  **Feel free to contact any or all of us via the email addresses on the handout**



**Technology as Motivation
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Thank you!!

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